

The Newsletter of the Chester & District Radio Society.EDITORIAL.

Greetings Chaps !

It has been a difficult task to edit the newsletter this month as some nearby neighbours have recently acquired a record player together with some Peter Dawson recordings and as one of their favourites appears to be "Boots", well if it wasn't for the barbed wire entanglements which separate us and my being chained to the table legs they would soon have desisted. However, not all Members know that on the night of the National Field Day the nearly late and lamented Society Secretary gave a demonstration of an Army guardroom with live noises. Honestly is you have ever been trying to sleep in a room where a mouse is running up and down, wearing the largest and heaviest pair of clogs obtainable, well that's how we suffered.

At the present, the supply of duplicating paper is adequate for the next few months, but after this month, owing to the dearth of wax-stencils there will only be one copy of "Deva Calls", and that will be carved on a piece of stone so what say chaps. This is the last time of asking - stone carving is very hard for George Brown with his key-click cramp.

I should like to apologise for any misprints, omissions etc., in last month's letter, these were due to the illegible writing of yours truly. I hope there are no libel suits pending.

Edgar Wilson, with the aid of his typist, is doing the actual duplicating of this sheet, so I should like to thank him for helping to solve this problem. I must pay tribute to him for the excellent setting.

73 de.

E.P.

MEMBERS NEWS.

By the good turnout for National Field Day, and the way everyone present joined in the activities, it was obvious that the outing was a success, at least in the social sphere. We did not record a very high total of points due to various factors, the conditions being one, but some very interesting contacts were made, practically all the Swiss Portables being worked. We at least know now that our President supplies some very good car batteries, the ones which he loaned the Club for N.F.D. lasted the whole of the 24 hours with no appreciable reduction in voltage. Bob Ludlum has now returned to W.land but we hope to hear from him from time to time. As an expression of our appreciation of Bob for all the assistance he has given the Club it was unanimously decided to present him with a "Solariscope", the cost being borne by small personal contributions from Members themselves. Members desirous of contributing should contact the Treasurer.

MEETING NOTES.

At the Meeting on June 5th., a discussion took place on the N.F.D. which took place the previous weekend. By the feeling of the Meeting it was apparent that Members were quite happy with the way the occasion went off, though of course we were not satisfied with the results we obtained. Thanks were expressed to Bill Lloyd and Frank Withall for the excellent catering arrangements, and to Peter Winder for the supply of provisions, without which the chefs would not have been able to perform so well. The Meeting on June 12th., gave Dick Windsor a chance to show off his home made T.V. With the help of the human aerial Phil Mullock on the roof of the hut, Dick was able to obtain quite a good picture. Better results were achieved by using the long wire aerial matched to the receiver, bearing out the theories of G2YS that the H.Type aerial is not necessary for good T.V. results in Chester. June 19th., was spent on work on the Headquarters G3 FRN and G3 ATZ working on the transmitter power supplies in readiness for the proposed Friday evening phone transmissions. A discussion took place the following Tuesday on the gear required for the Club's entry in the Lightweight Portable Field Day next September.

## CLUB CALL SIGNS.

Apologies are due to Stan Dutton for inadvertently missing his call sign from last Month's issue. His call sign is G3EXT.

COMMERCIAL "Z" CODE SIGNALS (INTERNATIONAL) sent with a "query mark". (I.M.I) is a question ; without, is advices ).

- ZAL - Alter your wavelength.
- ZAN - Receiving absolutely nothing.
- ZAP - Acknowledge please.
- ZBN - Break - G.A. with new ( slip).
- ZBS - Your signals are blurring.
- ZBY - Break - go back (Yard).

## FOR SALE AND WANTED.

Captain Goate, Western Command, Signal Regiment, has for disposal a complete amplifier equipment, comprising Garrard motor and pickup, 5 watt amplifier (P.X.4's) Wharfedale "Golden" Speaker -£15. the lot.

2 YS -wants an 80-100 OHM "dimmer" carrying about  $\frac{1}{2}$  amp. found on ex R.A.F. bakelite blocks. Anyone got one in the junk box ?

## AIR LINES (AMATEUR BANDS).

Chief interest on 14 m/cs recently has centred round two stations operated by ON4QF. The first, 7B4QF in Andorra, is the first station known to have operated from this tiny Pyrenean state since before the war. After a few days there, QF. moved to Monaco, where he operated on 3A2AC. 2 YS worked 7B4QF with literally two minutes to spare - just before he had to dash off to work on the morning that 4QF closed down. With 3A2AC he was luckier, and 'bagged' him as soon as he came on the air - the receiver just happened to be tuned to that frequency !

2 YS also worked WQ4CM (KENYA) on '20' and was able to verify that cards are on their way to him and GW2HEU for contacts with 4 CM on 20 metres, where he has been putting in a weak but regular signal on 3507 Kcs for several evenings around 2100 BST.

## RADIO TEHERAN. Gran EPB 15100 Kc/s (19.87 M).

This station has been received at S9 on many occasions during the last month. News and music at 20.00 - 20.30 COIT weekdays.

## DAMASCUS. Syria 11910 Kc/s 25,18 M.

An English speaking programme has been logged at good strength between 21.30 and 22.30 GMT weekdays. An excellent selection of records providing the last 30 minutes entertainment.

## BRAZZAVILLE F 21. French Equatorial Africa.

On 25.06 M. is consistently good with its English news transmissions at 18.15 GMT. Short News Bulletins in English can also be heard from :-

KOL ISRAEL. 9000 Kc/s 33.3 M. at 19.15. GMT.

ATHENS. 11718 Kc/s 25.61 M. " 19.30. GMT.

MADRID. 32.02 M. - 23.00 GMT.

## SOCIETY AFFAIRS.

Members would like to express their sympathy to Peter Winder on his recent sad bereavement.

TAILPIECE. A subscription list is shortly to be opened to buy one "WILLIAM LLOYD" a pair of rope-soled daps in time for the next NFD.